

TRIBUTE TO CHRISTIAN
HENDRICKS**HON. JOHN B. LARSON**

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, December 15, 2003

Mr. LARSON of Connecticut. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Mr. Christian "Chris" Hendricks, Deputy Inspector General of the House of Representatives, for his outstanding service to the House for the past 6 years, and to the Federal Government for over 27 years. Chris will retire at the end of this year. During his distinguished career, Chris gained wide experience in the Defense Department and other civilian agencies, as

well as the House, and amassed considerable skill as a certified public accountant, certified internal auditor, and certified information systems auditor, to name only a few of his impressive professional credentials.

Chris certainly made good use of his experience here in the House, and my staff and I have found his counsel invaluable as we strive to continuously improve the House's financial and administrative operations. I particularly appreciated his diligence in ensuring that the minority members of the House Administration Committee have been kept informed. Chris has provided important advice on a wide array of projects ranging from the security of our computer systems, to the deployment of emerging technology and the development of critical financial systems, improved services to

Members, and the safety and security of House facilities. Not only did Chris share his knowledge and expertise here in the House, he shared it with others through his active involvement in auditing organizations and by teaching others seeking to achieve professional certifications of their own.

A consummate professional, Chris will be sorely missed by all of his colleagues, but he can take great satisfaction in the improvements made here in the House that resulted directly from his contributions. Once again, Mr. Speaker, I want to congratulate Chris on his career and thank him for his outstanding service to the House. Please join me in wishing Chris and his wife Nancy much happiness as they pursue new challenges in the years ahead.